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President:	Mrs. Albright	(United States of America)
Members:	Argentina	Mr. Cárdenas
	Brazil	Mr. Fujita
	China	Mr. Li Zhaoxing
	Czech Republic	Mr. Kovanda
	Djibouti	Mr. Dorani
	France	Mr. Mérimée
	New Zealand	Mr. Keating
	Nigeria	Mr. Ayewah
	Oman	Mr. Al-Khussaiby
	Pakistan	Mr. Marker
	Russian Federation	Mr. Lavrov
	Rwanda	Mr. Bakuramutsa
	Spain	Mr. Laclaustra
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Sir David Hannay

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The meeting was called to order at 1.30 p.m.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

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The President: I should like to inform the Council that I have received letters from the representatives of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Croatia, in which they request to be invited to participate in the discussion of the item on the Council's agenda. In conformity with the usual practice, I propose, with the consent of the Council, to invite those representatives to participate in the discussion without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Sacirbey (Bosnia and Herzegovina) took a place at the Council table; Mr. Drobnjak (Croatia) took a place at the Council table.

The President: The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda.

The Council is meeting in response to the requests contained in a letter dated 11 November 1994 from the President of the Presidency of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina addressed to the President of the Security Council, transmitted by a letter of the same date from the Permanent Representative of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council, document S/1994/1283, and in a letter dated 12 November 1994 from the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Croatia addressed to the President of the Security Council, transmitted by a letter of the same date from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Croatia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council, document S/1994/1286.

I should like to draw the attention of the members of the Council to the following other documents: S/1994/1271, letter dated 9 November 1994 from the Permanent Representative of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council; and S/1994/1285, letter dated 11 November 1994 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Croatia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council.

Members of the Council have received photocopies of a letter dated 12 November 1994 from the Permanent Representative of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council, transmitting a letter dated 11 November 1994 from the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina addressed to the President of the Security Council, which will be issued as a document of the Security Council under the symbol S/1994/1287.

Following consultations among members of the Security Council, I have been authorized to make the following statement on behalf of the Council:

"The Security Council views with alarm the escalation in recent fighting in the Bihac area, and the flow of refugees and displaced persons resulting from it. It strongly urges all parties and others concerned to refrain from all hostile actions and to exercise the utmost restraint.

"The Security Council condemns any violation of the international border between the Republic of Croatia and the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina. It demands that all parties and others concerned, and in particular the so-called Krajina Serb forces fully respect that border and refrain from hostile acts across it.

"The Security Council calls upon all parties and others concerned to abstain from any action that could cause a further escalation in the fighting.

"The Security Council demands that all parties and others concerned immediately ensure, in cooperation with the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR), unimpeded access for humanitarian supplies.

"The Security Council expresses full support for the efforts of UNPROFOR and calls on the parties to respect UNPROFOR's safety and security, unimpeded access to supplies, and its freedom of movement.

"The Security Council emphasizes the significance of its resolutions on safe areas and demands that all concerned facilitate implementation of these resolutions and in this connection requests the Secretary-General to report as soon as possible on any further measures to stabilize the situation in and around the safe area of Bihac, drawing on UNPROFOR's experience in Bihac and the other safe areas".

This statement will be issued as a document of the Security Council under the symbol S/PRST/1994/66.

The Security Council has thus concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on its agenda. The Security Council will remain seized of the matter.

The meeting rose at 1.35 p.m.